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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/15/07

SPONSOR Gutierrez LAST UPDATED _____ HB 963

SHORT TITLE NMHU Summer Drama Program SB _____

ANALYST Guambaña

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$55.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Reponses Received From

Higher Education Department (HED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 963 appropriates \$55,000 from the General Fund to the Board of Regents of New Mexico State University (NMSU) to fund a summer drama program.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$55,000 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the General Fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY 08 shall revert to the General Fund.

Per HED, this request was not submitted by NMSU to the Department for review and is not included in their recommendation for FY 08.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

HED notes that NMSU has two programs which focus on K-12 education: the Theatre of Young Audiences (TFYA) Program and Children's Theatre Workshop (CTW). CTW is an after-school and summer drama program for 1st-8th grade students. From September through May, CTW

offers programs that focus on a period of history and/or a style of theater. During the summer, CTW offers a program to work with students on producing an established play. The production is given on the Hershel Zohn stage. Seventy five students participate in the CTW each year.

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